Asclepias incarnata • swamp milkweed

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PLANT CHARACTERISTICS: pink blooms. H= 3-4’ Spread 1.5-2’

DESIRED SITE LOCATION & SPACING:
- full sun
- medium to wet soil
- drought tolerance = medium
- 10” between plants and rows
  (recommended spacing (18-24”)

ECOLOGICAL BENEFITS:
- Wildlife: important food source for the monarch caterpillar
- Conspicuous Flowers: yes
- Attracts: hummingbirds, butterflies, moths
- Nectar Source: yes
Seed Collection:
- September - October
- Harvest only milkweed pods leaving stems for overwintering insects
- Harvest pods when plump and just beginning to crack open
- Mature seeds are dark brown
- Open pod and grip silk, seeds will pull off easily
- Remove all fluff from seed prior to storage

Seed Stratification: cool and moist, 30 – 60 days
Seed-Sow to Finished Plug: February to mid-May (14 weeks)
Outplanting: late May - June
Flowering Period: July - August

Sowing & Seed Depth:
- Sow 3 seeds per cell; cover with media equal to thickness of the seed (¼”)

Pests & Disease: prone to aphids